

BEATEN GERMANS VENTING THEIR SPITE ON COUNTRY THEY ARE DRIVEN OUT OF

Rape and Ravish As They Retreat, Destroying Even the Fruit Trees in Their Path; Fifty French Girls Abducted By Them As They Left Noyon; Entente Allies Continue To Press Hard Upon Fleeing Enemies

PARIS, March 21.—When the German troops left Noyon in full retreat they took with them fifty young girls, of French families. The report of this last outrage by the invaders of France was made public by the French war office last night, together with the information that the country over which the retreating Germans are moving is being ravished in the most ferocious manner by the baffled and sullen foemen.

PARIS, March 21.—(Staff Correspondence of the Associated Press) —The German retreat continues and the pursuit of the French and British, though slackening slightly because of the difficulties encountered as the advance proceeds, is still pushing forward with all possible speed, on the heels of the fleeing foe. Neither of the two great Allied armies are suffering much in the pursuit, although the Germans are making a stand and fighting rear guard action wherever it is possible, or the ground permits of imposing a momentary check upon the enemy.

The steady advance of the French troops continues, and it was reported that every precaution is being taken to avoid traps which the Germans may have set as they retreated. It is now known that they are breaking down the bridges over all the streams they are crossing as they move rearward, and are devastating the country as they go.

Fruit trees are being destroyed and wells and springs polluted or destroyed so that the French troops are finding increasing difficulty in continuing their pursuit until their own transport arrives. The advance however has already reached to within four and one-half miles of Saint Quentin, the key to the district, and the immediate objective of the French pursuit.

This city is now reported to be strongly fortified by the Germans and it is possible that the pursuit may be held up here by a desperate rearguard action, with the intent of delaying the advance of the Allies and giving the Germans more time to reach new lines of defense.

So far the French have had but little difficulty in advancing, and their losses in the numerous minor actions which are being fought, have been but slight. They have crossed the Saint Quentin canal at Tergnier, an important railroad station, which they have occupied and consolidated as they proceeded, and throughout the whole region further and important progress is reported.

The British also are pushing ahead rapidly, according to the official reports from the British headquarters. There has been some sharp fighting in the neighborhood of Saint Leger, where, near Croisilles the Germans last night attempted to make a stand with machine guns and infantry. It is reported that Saint Leger is being held by large numbers of the retreating Teutons, equipped with numerous machine guns. The fighting in this locality yesterday was of the field variety in skirmish lines of open order, to the delight of the British troops.

The British have now stretched their lines from Arras to the vicinity of Ham, where they join the French lines, and in that sector yesterday they reported the capture of fourteen additional villages. The British command also reported that it is reaching out in the direction of Cambrai, En Chaussee, Aul, Vele and St. Leger. They are also closing in upon Saint Quentin from the northwest, and are within less than twelve miles of that city while the French are but four and a half miles from it on the south.

Retreat Called "Master Stroke"

BERLIN, March 20.—(Staff Correspondence) —The evacuation of Bapaume, Boye, Noyon and Peronne and scores of lesser towns and villages on the west front is part of a great strategic undertaking to get the Allies into tremendous battle in the open field, according to the best information obtainable here. The undertaking promises to revolutionize the warfare on the western front and to constitute one of the decisive moves of the entire war, west or east.

Great destruction by the Germans is reported to have been carried out prior to evacuation.

A German military expert says that the Teutons have given up a portion of the front to secure for the troops that freedom of movement which is needed to end trench warfare, getting the enemy out of the trenches, too. The experts say that this move puts an end to the finely-laid plans of the Allies for a spring offensive.

The papers of Berlin today gave the German people their first news of the events on the France-British fronts. Articles by military experts pointing out that the events are in favor of Germany accompanied the news. The experts point out that the retreat is the strategic plan of the German general staff for a decision as a "masterstroke" to vitiate the preparations of the Entente Allies for a great offensive move.

The papers are unanimous in expressing the fullest confidence in the judgment and military knowledge of Gen. von Hindenburg, chief of the Imperial staff. "This is not the first strategic retreat he has executed," say the experts.

General engagements of infantry and cavalry of the British with German rearguard forces now going on on both sides of the Somme and Oise, which Germans have abandoned, says an official statement.

Violent French attacks on the left bank of the Meuse river are declared to have been repulsed.

QUICK ACTION SAVES SUGAR MILL ON HAWAII

(Special By Mutual Wireless To The Advertiser.)

HILLO, March 20.—Nothing but quick action on the part of the management saved the Kawaiiki mill yesterday when flames broke out on the storehouse near by. The fire fighters turned the flame waters onto the flames and soon had them under control. The damage to the store house is estimated at about \$500.

IRISH QUESTION TO COME UP ONCE MORE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, March 20.—Bona Law informed the house of commons this afternoon that the government is considering the advisability of calling a conference of leaders, including representatives of the Dominions, to formulate a settlement of the Irish situation.

CZAR'S SON KILLED, SAYS TOKIO REPORT

(Special Cablegram to Hawaii Hochi)

TOKIO, March 20.—Crown Prince Alexis has been assassinated, according to the latest report received from Petrograd. A despatch from the Russian capital says that revolutionists had reported the death of the young Czarovitch. This report has not yet been confirmed.

CITY OF MEMPHIS CREW IS NOW REPORTED SAFE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, March 21.—All of the officers and members of the crew of the American steamer City of Memphis, torpedoed Sunday by a German submarine, have been saved according to advices received here last night from London. Captain Borm and seven members of the crew have reached Glasgow.

SPECIAL SESSION OF CONGRESS TO DECLARE WAR

WASHINGTON, March 21. — WAR BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND GERMANY NOW EXISTS, ACCORDING TO THE DECISION ANNOUNCED THIS MORNING BY PRESIDENT WILSON.

A special session of congress has been called, to meet on April 2, to formally issue the declaration announcing a state of war.

Pending the convening of congress, the President will take whatever action he deems necessary to protect the lives and property of Americans.

It is taken for granted that, acting as commander-in-chief of the Army and Navy, the President will order an immediate mobilization of the Army and of the militia forces of the United States and will issue a call for volunteers.

The Navy will be put to immediate use and will cooperate with the navies of Great Britain and France.

STEEL TRUST'S EARNINGS HUGE

Figures For Last Year Given To Public Show Clear Gain of More Than \$294,000,000

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, March 21.—The figures of earnings and net profit for the American Steel Corporation given in the annual report just made public yesterday are staggering, even in this period of tremendous surpluses. The total earnings of the corporation for last year amounted to \$343,000,000, an increase over the preceding year of \$292,500,000. The net income, over operating expenses, amounted to \$294,000,000, an increase for the year of \$196,000,000. The surplus net, after dividends on the common stock had been paid to the amount of \$44,500,000, amounted to \$250,500,000, an increase over the net surplus of the preceding year of \$157,500,000. The current assets of the corporation are reported at \$501,000,000, with undivided surplus at \$381,330,000. During the year the wages of the employees in the production department have been increased on an average of thirty-six cents per day.

TEDDY CALLS UPON NATION TO PREPARE

Seconds Move By Robert Bacon Urging Peril of Neglect

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, March 21.—Calling on the nation to get ready for war, Robert Bacon, former ambassador to France, in a committee report to the members of the Union League Club here last night warned against the dangers of unpreparedness for any and all issues that the nation might be called upon to meet. The motion to adopt the committee report was seconded by Charles E. Hughes, Elihu Root and Theodore Roosevelt. Roosevelt in his introduction of the motion urged that the nation take immediate steps against Germany in retaliation for the campaign of unrestricted submarine warfare.

OKUMA EXPECTS TO SEE GERMAN REVOLT

(Special Cablegram to Hawaii Hochi) TOKIO, March 20.—Count Okuma, former premier of Japan, in an interview yesterday said that he expects the same thing will happen in Germany as recently took place in Russia. He said that the bureaucrats and the people of Germany were at war at present and the next change would be an uprising against the kaiser and a new government established. Count Okuma in his interview warned Count Teraguchi, present premier of Japan, that he should abide by the rule of the people for the sake of Japan. He said the Russian bureaucrats had neglected the people and a revolution was the result.

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RUSSIA ANXIOUS FOR PACT WITH UNITED STATES

Head of New Government in Petrograd Says Nothing Now Stands In Path

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS NOW IN FULL CONTROL

Practically Decided To Restore Full Rights To Long Enslaved People of Finland

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) PETROGRAD, March 21.—Premier Milukoff yesterday issued a statement in which he declared that there is nothing now that he knows of standing in the way of a new commercial treaty with the United States. It will be remembered that the last proposed treaty split on the question of the Russian treatment of the Jews.

In speaking of the matter M. Milukoff said that the details for such a pact could well be left to the future, but that it was bound to come as the new Russia is anxious to establish close relations with the democratic world, relations that shall be commercial and political.

All elements in the country apparently favor the republican form of government, and that is winning strength from day to day. It is now regarded as certain that the ministers' council is in favor of restoring to Finland her heritage of liberty which the old regime took from that country. Russia's new government, it was learned at the foreign office will rest exclusively in the control of the council of ministers until the convening of a constitutional assembly. The duma committee, having fulfilled its task during the days of the revolution, now passes out of existence. It is impossible yet to forecast with certainty the final form of the new government, since that depends entirely upon the collective will of the entire people. The belief prevails that a republican form of government will be worked out, not with a president, but a commission form similar to that of Switzerland.

LONDON, March 20.—A Reuter's despatch today, referring to the plan for an autonomous Finland, says that nearly all the district governors of Finland under the Russian monarchial government resigned when they heard of the revolution, and little opposition is shown to the plan to make Finland self governing.

RECOGNITION OF SLAV REVOLT SOON LIKELY

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, March 21.—Early recognition by the United States of the new democratic government of Russia that overthrew the Czar's absolutism is forecast in official circles here. Ambassador Francis, in Petrograd, reports to the state department that the orderly establishment of the economic, commercial and political machinery of the nation by the new government so soon after it attained power is amazing.

BERLIN CLAIMS TO HAVE SUNK FRENCH BATTLESHIP

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BERLIN, March 20.—A French battleship of the Danton class (18,028 tons, completed in 1911) was sunk in the Mediterranean, according to an announcement by the German admiralty.

GALE ON HAWAII UPROOTS CEMETERY

Drowns Japanese Women and Wrecks Steel Bridge Between Pahala and Waiohinu

(Special By Mutual Wireless To The Advertiser.)

HILLO, March 20.—One of the worst storms in the history of this island was reported here yesterday. The gale wreaked its will in many strange ways, turning loose torrents that tore open the graves in a Japanese cemetery in Kau Monday night, and distributed the bones of the dead in the muddy canals below.

A Japanese woman in the Kau district was caught in the flood caused by the cloudburst, and drowned, almost within sight of her home.

The great steel bridge between Pahala and Waiohinu was washed out by the floods and Pahala was completely isolated. The canals in that district were harmed but slightly, and the damage done by the gale as a whole is believed to have been but small. The traffic around the island is at an end, however, thanks to the convulsed condition of the roads, and it is impossible to say when it will be resumed.

WAR INSURANCE SCOPE IS WIDENED

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, March 21.—Insurance of financial protection by the United States government will be amply provided shipping from American ports along with protection of a steamer kind. The government war risk insurance bureau will hereafter insure practically all forms of contraband cargo except shipments of arms and ammunition to Europe. Heretofore the bureau has insured only certain articles declared to be contraband along with all articles not on the contraband list. In the announcement of the broadening of the scope of operations of the bureau it was made known that the bureau now has a fund of twenty million dollars available to finance its insurance system.

VALENTINE CEDERLOF RECOVERS FROM HURT

Valentine Cederlof, nephew of John H. Jones, manager of the McFarney shoe store, who met with a bad accident on February 11, and who for a time was not expected to live, is greatly improved and it is announced by his uncle that he will recover.

Young Cederlof was riding his motorcycle on Waiialea road and was caught between a motor truck and a street car. His leg was badly smashed and he was otherwise injured. Lockjaw set in and since February 22 no one has been allowed to see him at the hospital where he was taken following the accident.

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REGARDS SITUATION AS "STATE OF WAR" WITH BERLIN'S GOVERNMENT

Washington Expects That President Wilson Will Make Definite Move To Declare Opening of Hostilities Against the Teutons Following the Last Flagrant Outrages Against Laws of Civilization and Humanity

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

WASHINGTON, March 21.—The cabinet is prepared to support a declaration that a state of war between the United States and Germany exists, according to reliable reports in official circles yesterday, and it is taken as certain that President Wilson will make some definite move today towards a formal declaration of war.

Yesterday pressure was brought to bear upon the President to issue another call for a special session of congress, advancing the date as now set for April 16 to a time as early as possible, in order that war may be formally declared in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

No new orders have been issued to the navy, according to the statements of Secretary Daniels, but it is intimated that this branch of the national defense will soon be actively engaged in its work of protecting American interests and American lives at sea. Yesterday the secretary of the navy conferred at length with the members of the general board on the plans to organize patrol squadrons for harbor defense to be made up of private motor boats.

It is proposed in some quarters that the American navy be sent out to cooperate actively with the naval patrols of the British and French in running down possible commerce destroyers, raiders and submarine blockaders.

One significant development yesterday was an order to "broaden the scope" of the government war insurance bureau's work. It was announced that if the plans of the government are carried into effect the insurance bureau will begin insuring all cargoes of contraband except only those of arms and ammunition. This will be a direct blow to the Germans and of enormous assistance to the Allies, for the vast majority of all freight shipped to the Entente powers consists of supplies other than arms and ammunition, although of course huge quantities of shells and shell cases are going forward daily.

Still another significant move on the part of the government and in line with the announced intention of constructing a large number of submarine chasers, developed yesterday when the navy department issued orders to the naval station plant at New Orleans to begin immediate work on the construction of four submarine chasers for immediate delivery.

Taking a leaf out of the book of the European nations at war with Germany Secretary of the Navy Daniels yesterday ordered naval commanders of all shore stations for recruiting officers to be prepared to establish women in actual naval service in case of emergency. The attorney general has ruled that they can enlist under the present laws. They would be enlisted for shore duty in the line of defense work, and their occupations would be such as stenography, typing, clerks and other clerical positions. They would not be assigned to ships.

COPPER PRODUCERS CUT PRICE TO U. S.

Offer Millions of Pounds To Government If Needed

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, March 21.—The leading producers of copper, representing the controlling ownership of the largest mines in the country, have made an offer to the United States government to sell to it, for the use of the army and navy, forty-five million pounds of copper during the year at sixteen and a fraction cents a pound. The quotation is at about half the present market price for copper, which has become increasingly costly during the duration of the European war.

INJURED MAN FOUND LYING IN STREET

Korean Believed Victim of Auto Or Motorcycle

A Korean man was taken to the police station about eight o'clock last night, having been picked up near the corner of King and River Streets. He was removed to The Queen's Hospital, and at midnight was still in a state of semi-consciousness. He may have a fractured skull and hemorrhage of the lungs.

Word was telephoned to the police station to send the ambulance for a man who was lying in the roadway, hurt. On the arrival of that vehicle, D. Garcia, driver of a milk wagon operated by the Kailani Dairy, was being detained and accused by on-lookers of having run over the injured man.

Garcia was taken to the police station and looked for investigation. He stated that while driving along King Street, in the direction of Kalihi, he felt his wagon jolt, and on looking down saw that the wagon had passed over the leg of a man lying in the road.

Garcia denies having knocked the man down, and it is improbable that the injuries which he sustained could have been inflicted by a light wagon, such as Garcia was driving, passing over him.

It is thought probable that the Korean was struck by either a motor cycle or automobile, and left lying where he was knocked down.

SOUTH CAROLINA'S GOVERNOR WANTS WAR WITH KAISER

Calls Upon President In White House To Urge Necessity of Immediate Action To Meet German Menace—Sees No Reason For Further Delay of Warfare

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, March 21.—Governor Manning of South Carolina, who was a caller at the White House yesterday, urged upon President Wilson the necessity for war with Germany without any further preliminaries. In the opinion of the South Carolina executive, no reason further exists for treating Germany as anything but an open and an avowed enemy of the United States.

In an interview, following his call at the White House, Governor Manning explained that he had been one of the many who had at first opposed the suggestion that the United States should join in the war against Germany, but in the face of the repeated outrages against the rights of American citizens he is convinced that the time has come when America must unite with the other nations in subduing and putting down the nation that respects no law of God or man.

The time has now come when the United States should use its fullest force against Germany in the protection of its own rights. He therefore advocates the calling of congress into immediate session to issue a formal declaration of war and urge the President to mobilize the regular army, call out the militia and issue a call for volunteers. The navy should be used aggressively without further delay.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA DISMISSES FOREIGN MASTERS

SEATTLE, March 10.—Officers of the Japanese steamer Awa Maru, arriving from the Orient, report that the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has dismissed foreign masters of its vessels as follows: N. Nielsen and A. Moeckel, Germans; P. L. Sommers, Dane; C. H. Butler, J. P. Clarke, A. E. Moses and John Walker, British; J. Stark and W. Kerr, Americans. They will be allowed full pay for six months and half pay for another six months. Capt. F. E. Cope, of the Kitano Maru, and Capt. H. Fraser, of the Hirano Maru, will be allowed to remain, as the company has obtained special permission regarding them from the Japanese authorities.